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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20314-1000

REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

CEPR-P (715)


15 November 2002

MEMORANDUM FOR ALL USACE COMMANDS (DIRECTORS/CHIEFS OF CONTRACTING)

SUBJECT: PARC Instruction Letter (PIL) 2002-21, Use of GSA Multiple Award Schedule for Professional Engineering Services

1. The General Services Administration (GSA) has established a Multiple Award Schedule (MAS) 871 for Professional Engineering Services (PES). The PES MAS is at: <http://apps.fss.gsa.gov/services/engineering>. Currently over 450 contractors are on this MAS. Many of these contractors are soliciting USACE districts to use their contracts.
2. **This procurement was not conducted in accordance with the Brooks Architect-Engineer Act, and the PES MAS must not be used to provide architect-engineer services as defined in Part 36 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation.** This precaution and the scope and limitations for the contracts are shown on the website.
3. In particular, professional services of an architectural or engineering (A&E) nature concerning the planning, design, construction or alteration of real property which typically, by state laws, must be performed or approved by a person licensed to provide such services, must be procured by the Brooks Act and FAR Part 36. It is **illegal** to purchase these types of A&E services using the aforementioned GSA schedules. The PES MAS may be useful for some technical support services in USACE that are not associated with real property.
4. Request you distribute this PIL to all contracting, IMPAC cardholders and IMPAC approving officials.
5. Questions concerning this PIL should be directed to Mr. Roger Adams at (202) 761-5221.

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